

Draft Nevada Rail Corridor SEIS and Draft Rail Alignment EIS

Part 1: Supplements the rail corridor analysis of the Yucca Mountain Final EIS

- Analyzes the Mina corridor at the same level of detail as the rail corridor analysis in the Yucca Mountain Final EIS
- Analyzes a No Action Alternative – not to construct and operate a railroad within the Mina corridor
- Updates the rail corridor analysis of the Yucca Mountain Final EIS by identifying any significant new circumstances or information relevant to the Carlin, Valley Modified, and Jean rail corridors

Part 2: Analyzes environmental impacts of constructing and operating a railroad in Nevada

- Associated with determining an alignment (within the Caliente and Mina corridors)
- Analyzes construction and operation of a railroad in Nevada to transport spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste
- No Action Alternative – DOE would not determine an alignment or construct and operate a railroad within either the Caliente or Mina corridors

Preferred Alternative:

- DOE has identified its preferred alternative within the Caliente corridor.
- DOE has also identified a preference for the Shared Use option, which means the rail line would be available to commercial shippers.

The Department invites comments on its preferred implementing alternative and associated preferred rail alignment, and on its preference to enable use of the rail line by commercial shippers.